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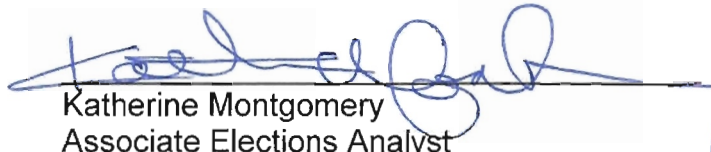
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March 9, 2009

County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #09037

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters and Proponents

FROM:

  
Katherine Montgomery  
Associate Elections Analyst

RE: Initiative: 1356, Related to Societal Issues

Pursuant to Elections Code section 336, we transmit herewith a copy of the Title and Summary prepared by the Attorney General on a proposed initiative measure entitled:

**SUBSTITUTES DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP  
FOR MARRIAGE IN CALIFORNIA LAW.  
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**

The proponents of the above-named measure are:

Kaelan Housewright  
Ali Shams  
4377 Colfax Avenue #11  
Studio City, CA 91604

(818) 472-0982

#1356

**SUBSTITUTES DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP  
FOR MARRIAGE IN CALIFORNIA LAW.  
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**

**CIRCULATING AND FILING SCHEDULE**

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1. Minimum number of signatures required: .....694,354  
California Constitution, Article II, Section 8(b)
2. Official Summary Date: .....Monday, 03/09/09
3. Petitions Sections:
  - a. First day Proponent can circulate Sections for  
signatures (Elec. Code § 336) ..... Monday, 03/09/09
  - b. Last day Proponent can circulate and file with the county.  
All sections are to be filed at the same time within each  
county. (Elec. Codes §§ 336, 9030(a)). .....Thursday, 08/06/09
  - c. Last day for county to determine total number of  
signatures affixed to petitions and to transmit total  
to the Secretary of State (Elec. Code § 9030(b)).....Tuesday, 08/18/09  
  
(If the Proponent files the petition with the county on a date prior to  
08/06/09, the county has eight working days from the filing of the petition  
to determine the total number of signatures affixed to the petition and to  
transmit the total to the Secretary of State) (Elec. Code § 9030(b)).
  - d. Secretary of State determines whether the total number  
of signatures filed with all county clerks/registrars of  
voters meets the minimum number of required signatures  
and notifies the counties.....Thursday, 08/27/09\*
  - e. Last day for county to determine total number of qualified  
voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate  
with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State  
(Elec. Code § 9030(d)(e))..... Tuesday, 10/13/09

\* Date varies based on the date of county receipt.

## INITIATIVE #1356

### Circulating and Filing Schedule continued:

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(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who signed the petition on a date other than 08/27/09, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification). (Elec. Code § 9030(d)(e)).

- f. If the signature count is more than 763,790 or less than 659,637 then the Secretary of State certifies the petition as qualified or failed, and notifies the counties. If the signature count is between 659,637 and 763,790 inclusive, then the Secretary of State notifies the counties using the random sampling technique to determine the validity of **all** signatures (Elec. Code §§ 9030(f)(g), 9031(a)) .....Friday, 10/23/09\*
  - g. Last day for county to determine actual number of all qualified voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State. (Elec. Code § 9031(b)(c)). ..... Wednesday, 12/09/09
- (If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who have signed the petition on a date other than 10/23/09, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification.) (Elec. Code § 9031(b)(c).)
- h. Secretary of State certifies whether the petition has been signed by the number of qualified voters required to declare the petition sufficient (Elec. Code §§ 9031(d), 9033) ..... Sunday, 12/13/09\*

\*Date varies based on the date of county receipt.

## IMPORTANT POINTS

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- California law prohibits the use of signatures, names and addresses gathered on initiative petitions for any purpose other than to qualify the initiative measure for the ballot. This means that the petitions cannot be used to create or add to mailing lists or similar lists for any purpose, including fundraising or requests for support. Any such misuses constitutes a crime under California law. Elections Code section 18650; *Bilofsky v. Deukmejian* (1981) 124 Cal.App.3d 825, 177 Cal.Rptr. 621; 63 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 37 (1980).
- Please refer to Elections Code sections 100, 101, 104, 9001, 9008, 9009, 9021, and 9022 for appropriate format and type consideration in printing, typing and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation and signatures. Please send a copy of the petition after you have it printed. This copy is not for our review or approval, but to supplement our file.
- Your attention is directed to the campaign disclosure requirements of the **Political Reform Act of 1974**, Government Code section 81000 et seq.
- When writing or calling state or county elections officials, provide the official title of the initiative which was prepared by the Attorney General. Use of this title will assist elections officials in referencing the proper file.
- When a petition is presented to the county elections official for filing by someone other than the proponent, the required authorization shall include the name or names of the persons filing the petition.
- When filing the petition with the county elections official, please provide a blank petition for elections official use.

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
Attorney General

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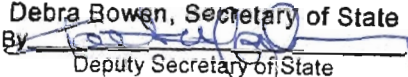
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**FILED**  
In the office of the Secretary of State  
of the State of California

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Debra Bowen, Secretary of State  
1500 11<sup>th</sup> Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Debra Bowen, Secretary of State  
By:   
Deputy Secretary of State

Attention: Ms. Katherine Montgomery  
Associate Elections Analyst

**Re: Initiative 09-0003 "Domestic Partnership Initiative."**

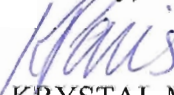
Official Circulating Title: SUBSTITUTES DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP FOR MARRIAGE IN CALIFORNIA LAW. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.

Dear Secretary Bowen:

Pursuant to Elections Code sections 9004 and 336, you are hereby notified that on this day we mailed our title and summary for **Initiative 09-0003, "Domestic Partnership Initiative"** to the respective proponents.

Enclosed is a copy of that title and summary, and a copy of the proposed measure.

Sincerely,



KRYSTAL M. PARIS  
Initiative Coordinator

For EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
Attorney General

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Enclosures

Proponents:  
Kaelan Housewright  
Ali Shams  
4377 Colfax Ave. #11  
Studio City, CA 91604

Date: March 9, 2009  
Initiative No.: 09-0003

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

SUBSTITUTES DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP FOR MARRIAGE IN CALIFORNIA LAW.

INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE. Replaces the term

“marriage” with the term “domestic partnership” throughout California law, but preserves the rights provided in marriage. Applies equally to all couples, regardless of sexual orientation.

Repeals the provision in California’s Constitution that states only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and

Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: This measure would have an unknown fiscal effect on state and local governments. (09-0003.)

December 30, 2008

Office of the Attorney General  
Ms. Krystal Paris, Initiative Coordinator  
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Sacramento, CA 94244-2550

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INITIATIVE COORDINATOR  
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Dear Ms. Paris:

We request a Title and Summary for the enclosed proposed Constitutional Amendment initiative.

Also Enclosed is the required proponent's affidavit pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9608 and residential address.

Please direct all correspondence and inquiries regarding this measure to:

Kaelan Housewright  
4377 Colfax Ave #11  
Studio City, CA, 91604  
Phone: (818) 472-0982  
Email: domesticpartnership@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Kaelan Housewright

Ali Shams

## Domestic Partner Initiative

09 - 0003

### Section 1: Title.

This measure shall be known and may be cited as the "*Domestic Partnership Initiative*."

### Section 2: Summary

The proposed measure calls for the term "marriage" to be removed from government legislation. The State of California's Law code would have "marriage" replaced with "domestic partnership," while the definition and the rights provided would remain the same. The purpose of which is to provide equality amongst all couples, regardless of sexual orientation, without offending the religious sect. Legally speaking, "Marriage" itself would become a social ceremony, recognized by only non-governmental institutions. Furthermore, the initiative would void Proposition 8.